

MINUTES

City Council Regular Meeting May 4, 2021 - 7:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Rudy called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

PLEDGE

ROLL CALL

Mayor:

Brian Rudy

Mayor Pro-Tem: Council: Mark Clark Laura Speer

Alicia Johnson - ABSENT

Fred Neal

Amanda Castle - ABSENT

Tammy Mortenson

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

There was no audience participation.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mayor Rudy amended the agenda to add a Proclamation and to defer the Executive Session until after the Evans Redevelopment Agency meeting.

Mayor Pro-Tem Clark made the motion, seconded by Council Member Mortenson to approve the agenda as amended. The motion passed with all voting in favor thereof.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of the April 20, 2021 City Council Meeting Minutes

Mayor Pro-Tem Clark made the motion, seconded by Council Member Speer to approve the consent agenda as presented. The motion passed with all voting in favor thereof.

PROCLAMATION

2. National Police Week 2021

Mayor Rudy read the Proclamation aloud and proclaims May 9 - 15, 2021 as National Police Week in the City of Evans. He then presented the Proclamation to Rick Brandt, Chief of Police.

NEW BUSINESS

3. Consideration of 2021 Preliminary Approval of Phase 1 2021 Budget Revision

Mr. Becklenberg reviewed the item as detailed in the agenda packet. He then turned the meeting over to Jacque Troudt, Finance Director.

Jacque Troudt provided an overview of the Phase 1 budget revision. During 2020, reductions were implemented in an effort to close the anticipated budget gap. As many economic uncertainties surrounded the City, prudent decisions were made to hold vacant positions, reduce spending of supplies and services budgets, and delay capital investments. The 2021 budget was formed based on assumptions that the reductions in expenditures would need to continue throughout 2021. Frozen positions remained unfunded, supplies and services levels remained stagnant and capital projects and large maintenance projects were deferred longer. Finance committee and the full City Council gave Staff direction to identify the immediate needs for consideration. After working with Department Directors, the most critical needs identified at this time pertain primarily to securing the needs of the workforce by making sure that compensation is competitive with other public employers in the market. Staff recommends approval of a preliminary budget revision to enable staff to address the most critical needs of the City.

Council Member Speer made the motion, seconded by Council Member Mortenson to approve the Phase 1 2021 budget needs and authorize a preliminary budget revision to proceed with implementation. The motion passed with all voting in favor thereof.

4. Consideration of Approval of 2021 Surface Treatment Contract

Mr. Becklenberg reviewed the item as detailed in the agenda packet. He then turned the meeting over to Mark Oberschmidt, City Engineer.

Mark Oberschmidt provided an overview of the contract. The 2021 Capital Improvement Program (CIP) Street Fund Budget includes \$300,000 for roadway surface treatment which consists primarily of asphalt chip sealing of various streets within the community. Together with the concrete repair contract, the asphalt patching and reconstruction contracts, already awarded, these contracts contribute to the City's pavement management program for 2021. Based on the budget and the bids received, the City will be able to treat most of the streets identified as priority areas. Some additional areas may be treated if there are funds remaining after the initial priority work is completed. Vance Brothers has provided quality work at a reasonable price in Evans for many years. Staff is confident that they also will perform well in 2021.

Council Member Mortenson made the motion, seconded by Council Member Neal to award the 2021 Asphalt Surface Treatment Contract to Vance Brothers, Inc. and to authorize the Mayor's signature on an agreement in the not to exceed amount of \$300,000. The motion passed with all voting in favor thereof.

5. Consideration of Award of Bid for the Evans Industrial Park / Stonegate Industrial Park Drainage Master Plan

Mr. Becklenberg reviewed the item as detailed in the agenda packet. He then turned the meeting over to Mark Oberschmidt, City Engineer.

Mark Oberschmidt provided an overview of the contract. A Drainage Master Plan for Evans Industrial Park and Stonegate Industrial Park will help correct some long-term drainage issues in that area. There have been several recent development projects in the Evans Industrial Park that required individual on-site detention or water quality measures that reduced the amount of developable land on the parcels. In addition to that problem, development that occurred in the early 1980s included gravel roads and borrow ditches. Over time these borrow ditches have filled in and ceased to adequately convey stormwater away from the properties and to the South Platte River. The Drainage Master Plan scope includes defining a location on the downstream side of the Industrial Park, possibly the DeJohn property along Brantner Road, for a regional detention or water quality pond. Changes in the South Platte River floodplain mapping have widened the floodplain to include the DeJohn property reducing the ability to develop it economically. Looking at Evans Industrial Park led to consideration of the Stonegate Industrial Park just to the west, with similar regional drainage issues. Stonegate Industrial Park has been platted since 2004 but no development has occurred to date, in part due to the lot-by-lot stormwater mitigation that is currently required there. A drainage master plan is the first step towards creating a more regional approach to stormwater infrastructure for both sites as well as creating a conceptual plan for the City to eventually design, construct, and implement with developer assistance. Muller prepared the 2016 Drainage Master Plan for the City, so that firm already has the majority of the modelling completed for the entire Industrial Park Basin—an area that extends well beyond the limits of these two sites. Additionally, Muller has extensive experience in developing Fee-in-Lieu requirements that will assist Evans in developing the final lots in Evans Industrial Park and the lots in Stonegate Industrial Park.

Mayor Pro-Tem Clark made the motion, seconded by Council Member Neal to award the Evans Industrial Park Drainage Master Plan Contract to Muller Engineering in the amount of \$77,409 and to authorize the Mayor's signature on the contract. The motion passed with all voting in favor thereof.

6. Consideration of Resolution Number <u>08-2021</u> Accepting Two Weld County Community Development Block Grant Awards

Mr. Becklenberg reviewed the item as detailed in the agenda packet. City Council supported the City's application for two Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) applications through Weld County on December 15, 2020. Last month, the City was awarded funding for two Weld County CDBG projects for 2021. The first project includes paving and utility improvements on Idaho Street between 40th and 42ndh Streets. The grant amount available for this project is \$693,000. The second project includes \$50,000 in funding for fixture replacements for incomequalified residents to assist with water conservation efforts. Until now, the City's only available option to participate in CDBG funding has been to compete for funding amongst all non-urban communities and Counties in Colorado. Weld County's classification as an urban county now affords municipalities within Weld County the option of a county-administered CDBG program and 2021 is the inaugural year for this Weld County-only program. City Council entered into an Intergovernmental Agreement in April 2020 to secure the City's ability to participate in this program.

Anne Best Johnson, Community Development Director, added that the Subrecipient Agreement included in the packet is only a draft and the final agreement will be formalized for the City of Evans.

Council Member Speer is excited that Idaho Street will be taken care of.

Council Member Speer made the motion, seconded by Council Member Neal to approve Resolution Number 08-2021 and authorize the City Manager to sign the Weld County CDBG Subrecipient Agreement for both project awards. The motion passed with all voting in favor thereof.

REPORTS

7. City Manager

Mr. Becklenberg provided a recap of the Spring Clean Up event and the Police Department Drug Take-Back event. He also provided an update on the 23rd Avenue road project.

8. City Attorney

There was no City Attorney report.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION (general comments)

There was no audience participation.

Mayor Rudy recessed the meeting at 7:31 p.m. to move into the Evans Redevelopment Agency meeting.

Mayor Rudy resumed the meeting at 7:53 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

9. To direct negotiators and receive advice from the city attorney regarding specific legal questions related to certain business license enforcement actions, pursuant to C.R.S. Sections 24-6-402(4)(b) and (e)

Mayor Pro-Tem Clark made the motion, seconded by Council Member Neal, to adjourn into Executive Session at 7:54 p.m. to direct negotiators and receive advice from the city attorney regarding specific legal questions related to certain business license enforcement actions, pursuant to C.R.S. Sections 24-6-402(4)(b) and (e). The motion passed with all voting in favor thereof.

The meeting reconvened at 8:27 p.m.

Mr. Krob noted for the record that the executive session that Council concluded was within the scope of the statute and that he was present for the duration of the discussion, so the discussion is subject to the attorney client privilege.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:27 p.m.

CITY OF EVANS – MISSION STATEMENT

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